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1. The Polish Red Cross offices in Sao Paulo have temporarily suspended their activities, and Director Stanislaw Dekarzewski has been relieved of his post. However, it has been learned through the Polish Legation in Rio de Janeiro that this branch will be reopened in the near future. It will engage in social activities only, discontinuing the practice of sending packages to Poland in view of animosity aroused in Brazil over non-delivery of items. During the period preceding the reopening, the various members of the staff will continue to meet, with the exception of Dekarzewski, who plans to leave for Poland shortly.
2. The Polish Red Cross in Porto Alegre has likewise closed, and Director Romanowski has been relieved. This branch also will resume operation within a short time.
3. It is believed that these two branches have been closed because of the attention they have been receiving from the Brazilian authorities. When the police have turned their attention elsewhere, they will be reopened.

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